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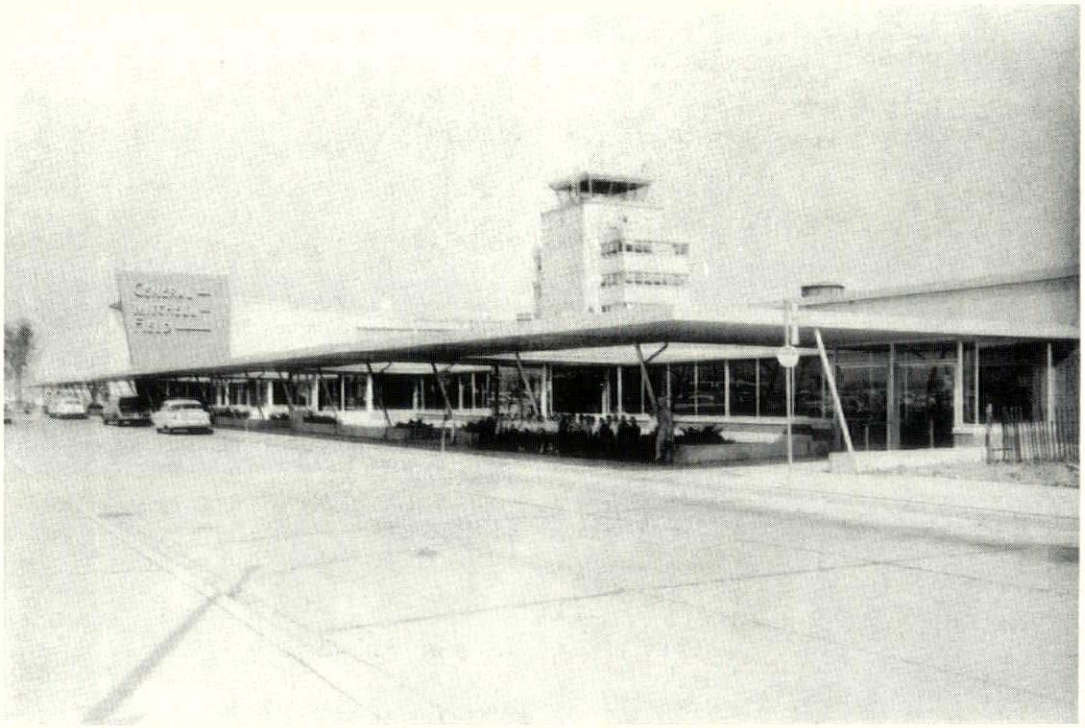

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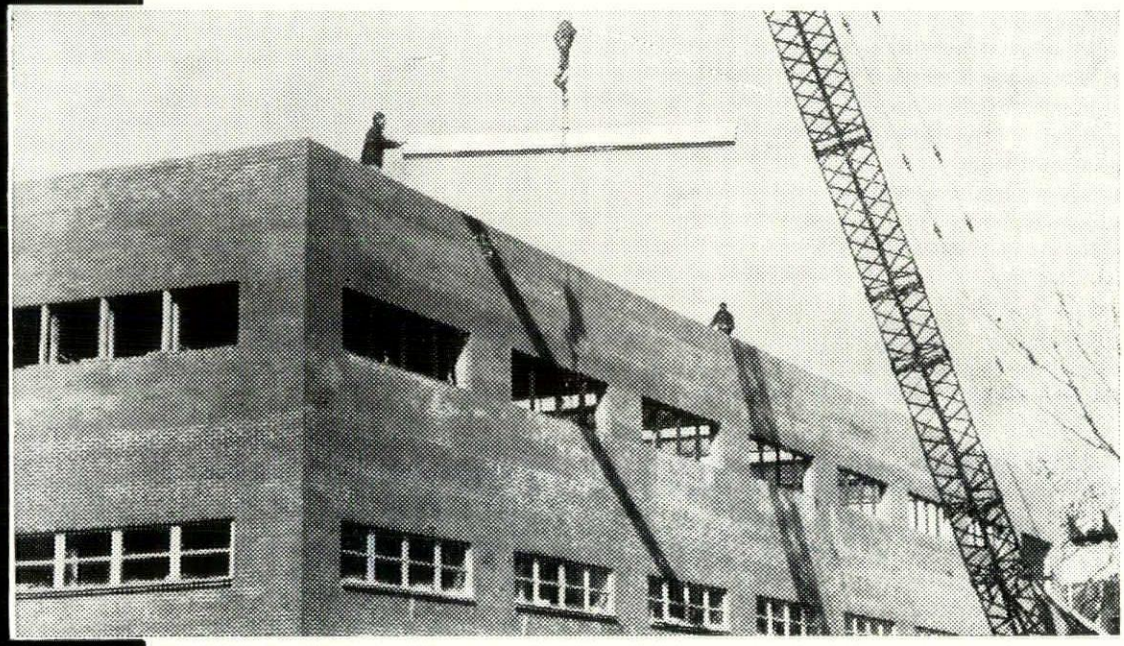

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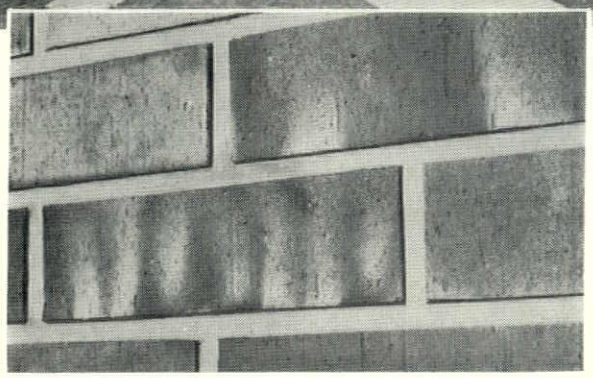

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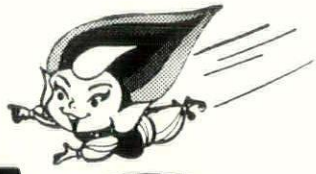

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Opportunities are open to American students in architecture for graduate study or research under the Fulbright Scholarship Program, Mrs. Ruth Hill, executive secretary, pointed out last month.

The following participating countries have facilities for the study of architecture: Australia, Austria, Chile, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway and the United Kingdom. In both Australia and Chile there are opportunities for candidates in town and country planning. Candidates for Japan must know the language. For the non-English speaking European countries it is desirable that some knowledge of the language be demonstrated.

Members interested in specific information about requirements of the program are invited to write the A.I.A. office in Milwaukee. Opportunities are open both to promising students and eligible alumni.

COVER COMMENT

This month's cover shows the entrance to General Mitchell Field, Milwaukee's air link with the world of travel. On pages 8, 9, 10 and 11 of this issue you will find more photos which reveal why this installation ranks with the finest air terminals in the world. Design of the administration and passenger building is the work of John Messmer, A.I.A.

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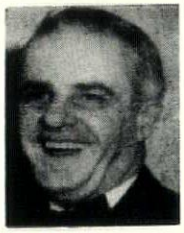


By Arthur O. Reddemann
President, Wisconsin Chapter, A.I.A.

After several months of planning, the A.I.A. Survey team arrived in Wisconsin October 23 to study the feasibility of establishing an architectural school in the state. The team was composed of Walter Taylor, head of the A.I.A. Department of Education and Research; Bryant Hadley, A.I.A North Central States Regional Director; and Leonard Wolf, head of the School of Architecture, Iowa State College. These men, together with Karel Yasko, a member of the A.I.A. Committee on Education and Research; Wallace Lee, Wisconsin Chapter Education committee member; and our executive secretary, Ruth Hill, and I spent a day at Madison. We met with Dr. Ira Baldwin, vice-president of the University of Wisconsin, and Kurt Wendt, Dean of the School of Engineering, to discuss the University's possible role in the establishment of a state architectural school. Following the meeting, the group toured the campus and inspected the architectural section of the new campus library.

The following day, the Survey Team, together with Mr. Lee, Mrs. Hill and I met with Professor William Murphy, Director of Engineering Mechanics, at Marquette University to ascertain Marquette's interest in a school. Dean A. Bernard Drought, dean of the School of Engineering, was unable to attend.

The Board of Directors is now anxiously awaiting the report of the Survey team. It is almost without doubt that their opinion as to the necessity of an architectural school will be in the affirmative. Should that be their recommendation, a gigantic task will result. It is estimated that it would be at least two years before such a school would begin functioning, although one of the schools felt that Freshmen, registering in such a school next fall, could take general courses, and by the time he entered his second year, enough courses in architectural subjects could be set up. We hope to be able to publish the findings of the Survey team in the next issue of THE WISCONSIN ARCHITECT.

The Regional Conference held in Rockford in September was an excellent one. And the number of Wisconsin Chapter men attending was great. Among those who registered were Julius Sandstedt, Francis Gurda, John Flad, Roger Herbst, George Spinti, Fritz von Grossmann, Abe Tannenbaum, Robert Cashin, Donn Hougen, Maurey Lee Allen, Ed Berners, Kenneth Knudson, Leonard Reinke, Charles Burroughs, Robert Torkelson, Carl Gausewitz, Rufin Naczinski, Allen Strang, Joe Flad and myself.

Harold Spitznagel, Sioux Falls, S. D., was nominated by me for the North Central States Regional Director post to succeed Bryant Hadley whose term will expire in July, 1958.

Death Comes to Fitzhugh Scott

Heart Attack Ends Long and Brilliant Career of one of Wisconsin Chapter's Foremost Members

The Wisconsin Chapter, A.I.A, lost one of its foremost members last month when Fitzhugh Scott died suddenly of a heart attack. He had been named as a Fellow of the American Institute of Architects in 1948.

Among the Milwaukee buildings which Mr. Scott designed were the Blatz Temple of Music in Washington park, the Milwaukee Children's hospital, the veterans home at Wood, the Allen-Bradley Co., the Protestant Home for the Aged, the YWCA activities building and the Milwaukee Country club.

Mr. Scott was alone in his home when he was stricken. He called the River Hills police about 6 a.m. for help. Police gave him oxygen and called a doctor, who pronounced him dead.

Fitzhugh Scott, jr., who has been associated with his father since 1935, said the elder Scott had worked the day before. He said he had appeared to be in good health.

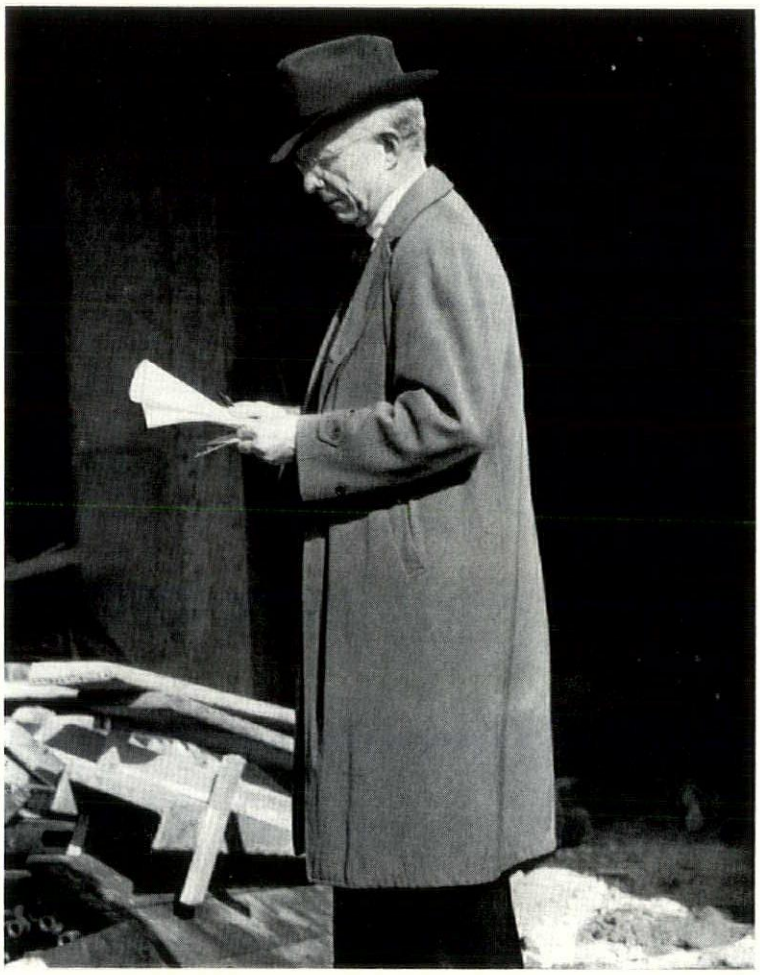
The elder Scott had almost completed work on an addition to the children's hospital.

Mr. Scott was born in Milwaukee and grew up in Atlanta, Ga. He was a graduate of Georgia Tech university and the Columbia university school of architecture. He returned to Milwaukee after this schooling and had practiced architecture here since.

Mr. Scott was interested in functional architecture. He enjoyed planning hospitals most of all, because of the service they would perform. The Blatz Temple of Music was practically his only work of the monumental type.

Mr. Scott was quiet and dignified and preferred work to any other activity.

His hobbies were charities and sports. He attended two of the world series games in Milwaukee, and his son said he was glad his father lived to see the Braves as world champions.



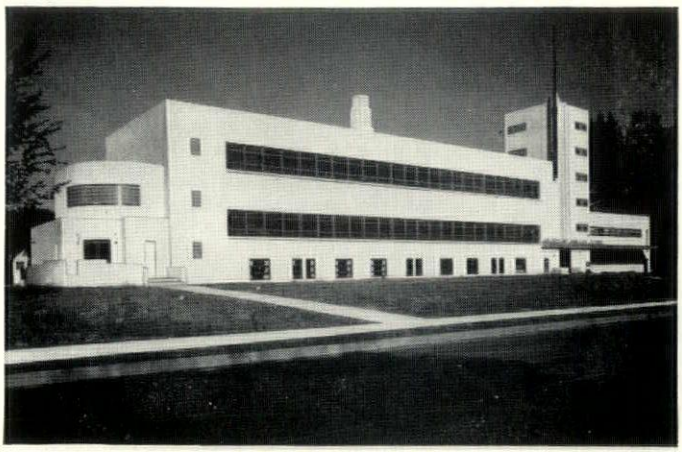
A typical view of Mr. Scott at a job site

Mr. Scott loved children, his own grandchildren and other children, too. Many children who were not related to him called him "grandfather."

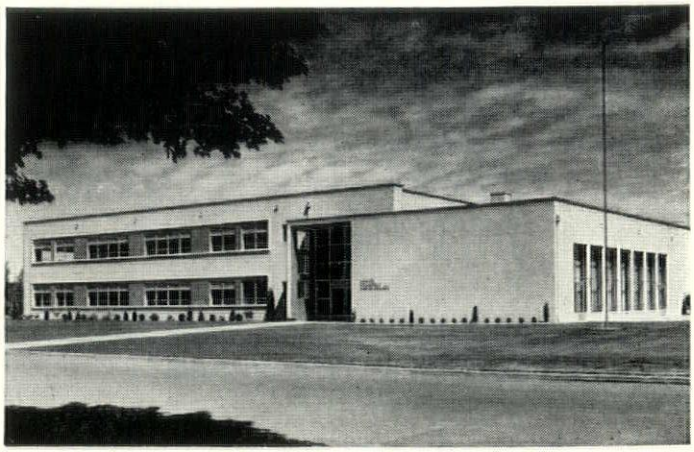
He had belonged to numerous clubs here, but resigned from them after the death of his wife six years ago.

In addition to Fitzhugh Scott, jr., the architect is survived by another son, William F., of Orange, Va.; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Swansen, Milwaukee, and three sisters, Mrs. Harold E. Holbrook, sr.; Mrs. James T. Balding and Mrs. William E. Merrill, all of the Milwaukee area.

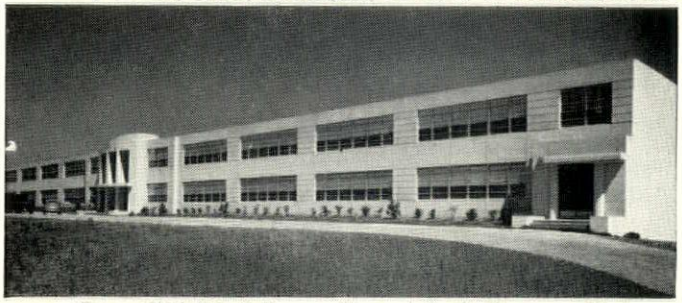
The number of leading figures in the Wisconsin Chapter who attended funeral services or visited the body at the funeral home testified to the high regard with which he was held. In addition, numerous contributions have been made in Mr. Scott's name to the Wisconsin Architects Foundation as a memorial to him.



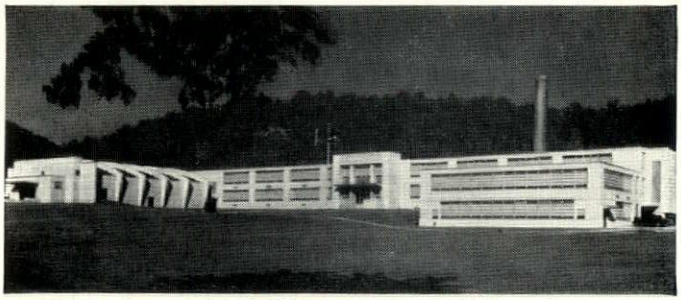
Archbishop Dowling School, Minneapolis, Minn.; J. V. Vanderbilt, architect



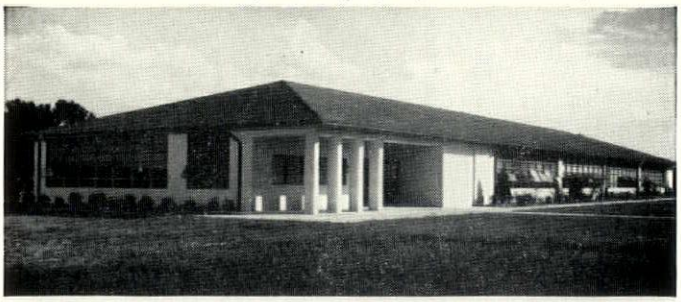
Lower Columbia Junior College, Longview, Wash.; Wolff & Phillips, architects



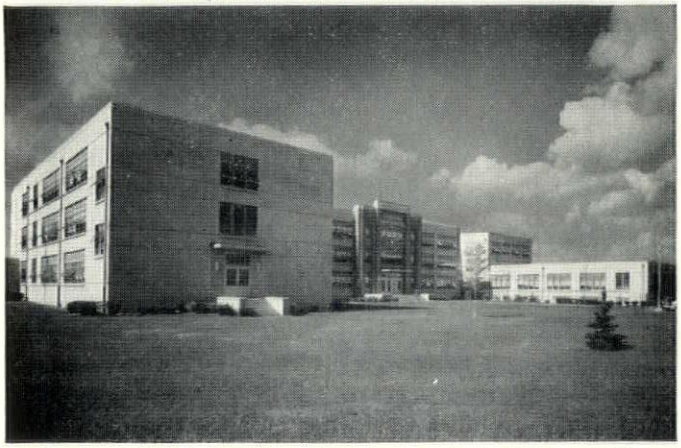
Frayser High School, Frayser, Tenn.; Anker F. Hansen, architect



Theodore Roosevelt School, Williamsport, Pa.; D. H. Grootenboer, architect



South Downs Elementary School, Baton Rouge, La.; Bodman & Murrell, architects



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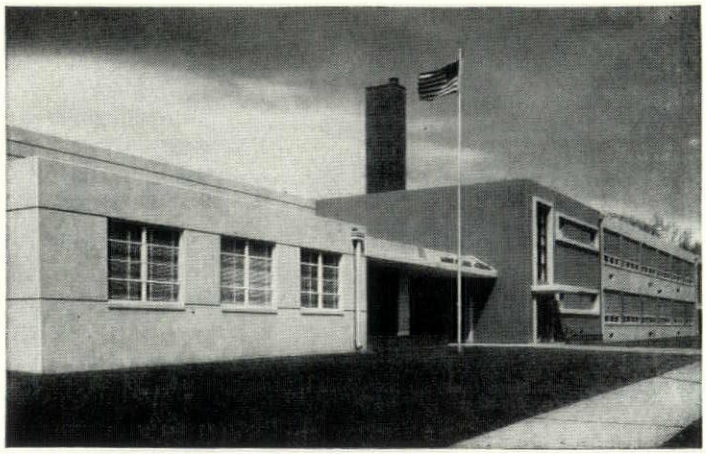

Murray Hill School, Chanute, Kans.; Williamson, Loebsack & Assocs., architects

New Blue Cross, Blue Shield Plans Announced

The Board of Directors of the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Institute of Architects has announced a new procedure of enrollment for Blue Cross and Blue Shield group benefits. All association members and their full-time employees are invited to participate in this plan, it was stressed last month by Mrs. Ruth Hill, executive secretary.

"This is the last general enrollment," she said.

All chapter members and their full-time employees (who are not Blue Cross-Blue Shield members through our chapter group plan) may join the plan during the November enrollment regardless of age or physical condition, with coverage effective December 1, 1957.

Any chapter member or employees who wish to join after December 1, must show evidence of insurability and their application is subject to acceptance or rejection by Blue Cross - Blue Shield.

New chapter members and *new* employees may enroll after December 1, 1957 without restrictions, provided they apply within one month of date of membership or date of employment, with coverage effective the first of the month following receipt of application by Blue Cross. All employers are *urged to give each new employee an opportunity to obtain this coverage when hired.*

"Since rates depend entirely on the amount of hospital-doctor services paid for our members and their full-time employees, the above new enrollment procedure has been established," Mrs. Hill said.

HAEUSER SPEAKS TO HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES

In another splendid public relations contribution, Charles Haeuser, A.I.A., Milwaukee, addressed two classes at Rufus King High School last month.

He spoke on the subject of "Architecture As a Profession."

Volunteers to speak are in wide demand, Mrs. Ruth Hill, executive secretary, pointed out last month. She is seeking other members who are willing to devote their time and talents to this function, since there are many opportunities to speak, and thus afford an opportunity to spread knowledge of the profession.

WELCOME, FRED WEGNER

Fred A. Wegner, Milwaukee School Board architect, has been accepted as a Corporate member of the A.I.A., according to word received from the Institute. Wegner had been an Associate member of the Wisconsin Chapter since 1949.

Hi-Lites

Of October Board Meeting

The application of Alfred H. Zarse, South Milwaukee, was forwarded to The Institute with a recommendation that he be accepted as a member. His son, Leigh B. Zarse, who is associated with him, was accepted as an Associate member. Other Associate members accepted were John G. Hein (advanced from Jr. Associate), Brookfield, and Kenneth Kurtz, Milwaukee. John V. Defenderfer, Middleton, a draftsman with Weiler & Strang, Madison, became a Jr. Associate.

From a slate of eight names submitted by the various divisions, John J. Flad, Madison, and Herbert Grassold, Milwaukee, were named as nominees for Fellowship. Their names and material exemplifying their work will be forwarded to the Institute's Jury of Fellows for consideration.

Because of an expansion of convention activities since reservations were made at the Northland hotel, several years ago, it was decided to move the 1958 convention to the Loraine hotel in Madison. The dates of February 11 and 12 will remain unchanged, according to Maurey Lee Allen, committee chairman.

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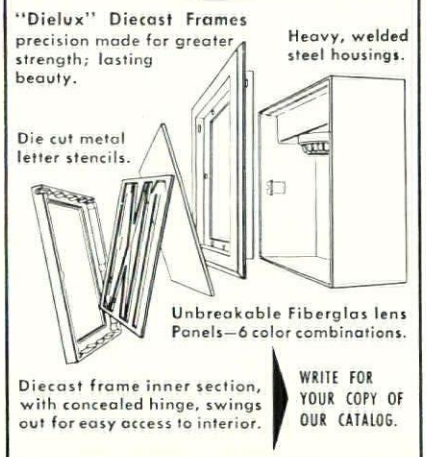

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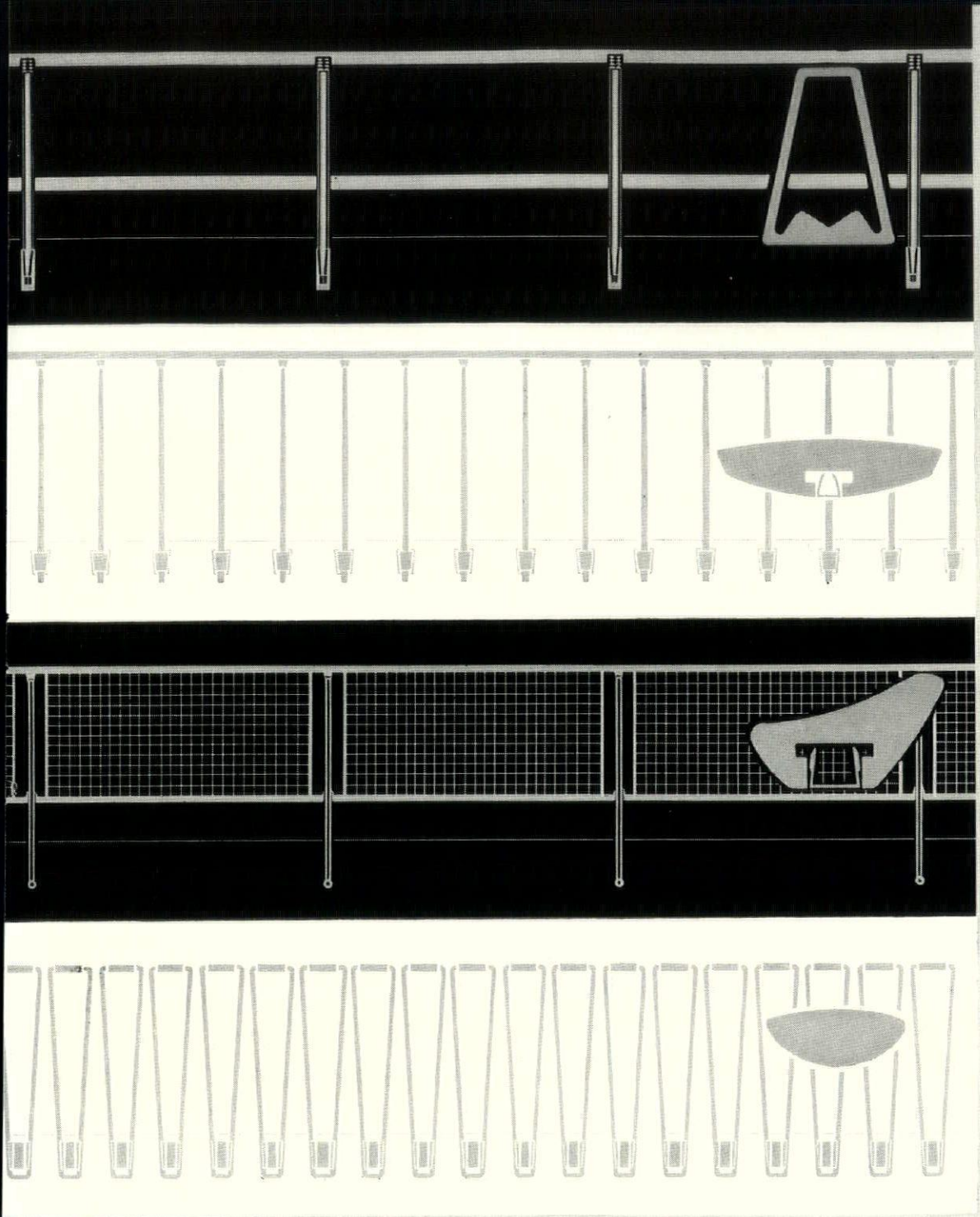

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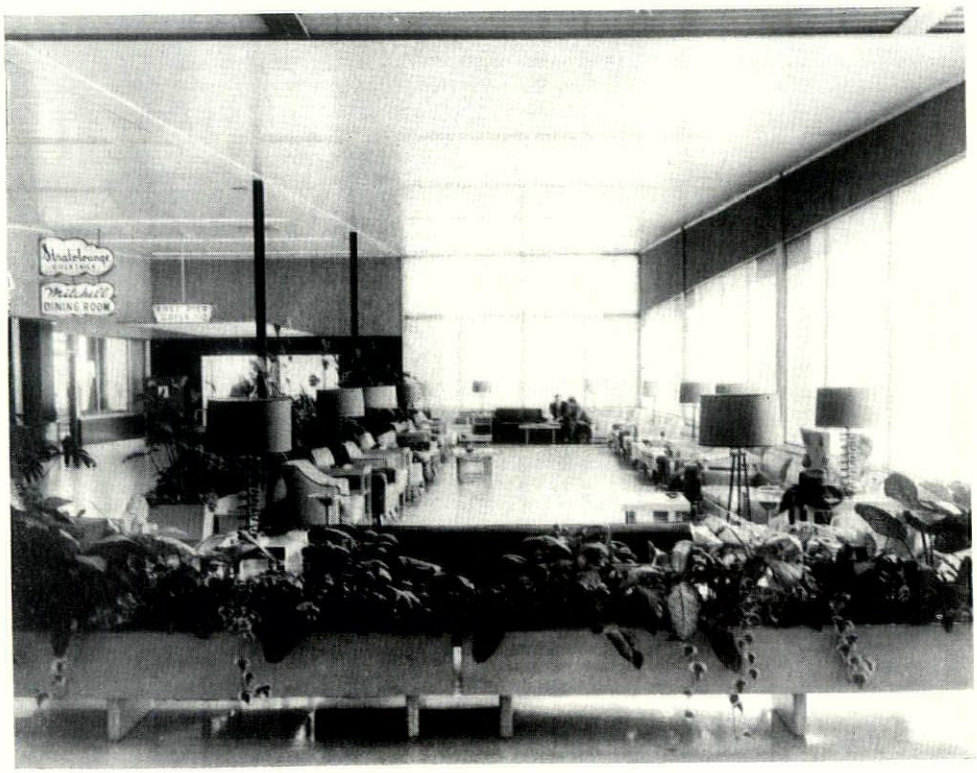

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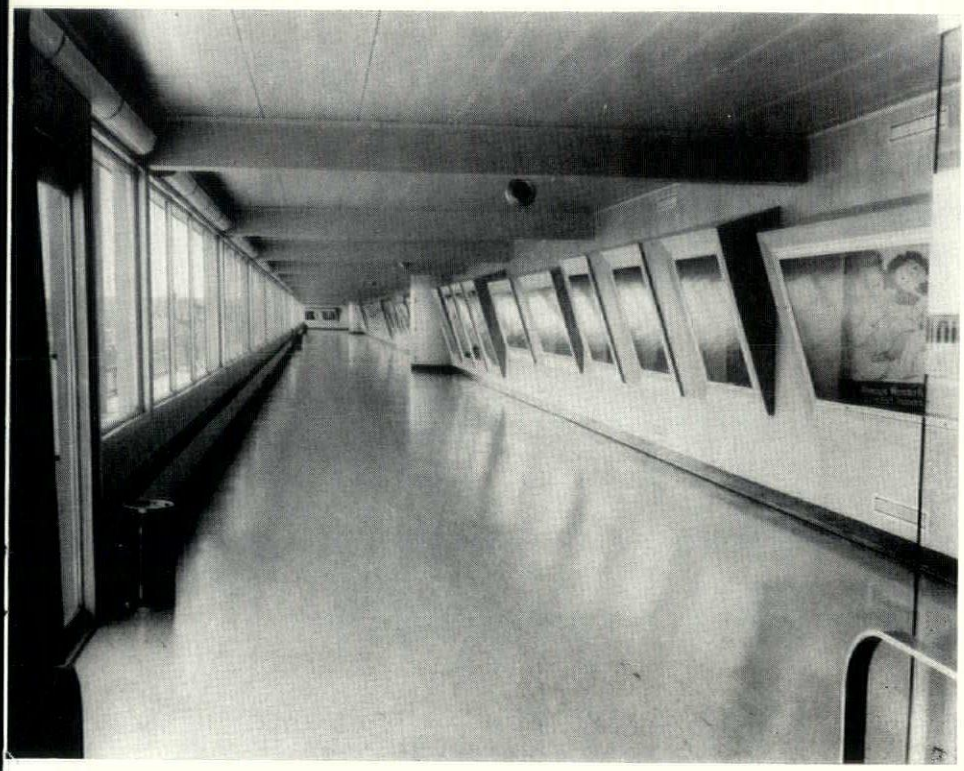

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The three day "work-shop" type program which was geared to the theme "Building a Profitable Busines," featured outstanding speakers and panelists.

Following the invocation, the address of welcome by Board Chairman, Chas. A. Rinehimer, and the officers reports, Richard J. Sanzo, of Dun and Bradstreet, Inc., New York, discussed today's profit picture and the management weaknesses usually responsible for business failure. He also explained the nature and significance of the 14 operating ratios used by management in analyzing a balance sheet and profit and loss statement.

MILWAUKEE DIVISION MEMBERS INSPECT NEW MILWAUKEE COUNTY WAR MEMORIAL

More than 100 members and wives of the Milwaukee Division met last month in Milwaukee, in a combination business and social evening.

Following dinner at John Ernst's Cafe, members made a tour of the new Milwaukee County War Memorial. They were taken on a guided trip around the premises, where they noted many of the architectural features present in the structure.

Director of the War Memorial is N. Jack Russell, formerly executive secretary of the Wisconsin Chapter, A.I.A.

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Yasko Speaks at NE Meeting

Karel Yasko presented a discussion of "The Architect in Training Program" at the November 4 meeting of the Northwest Division, which was held at the Elks Club in Appleton.

Also included on the program were two films, "Motion Painting No. 1," produced by Oscar Fishinger, and "Blacktop," produced and directed by Ray Eames.

The former is a technicolor abstraction set to Bach's Brandenburg Concerto, while the latter records in color and sound the beauty of form and motion of water.

A large group of members attended, Secy.-Treasurer George Narovec reported.

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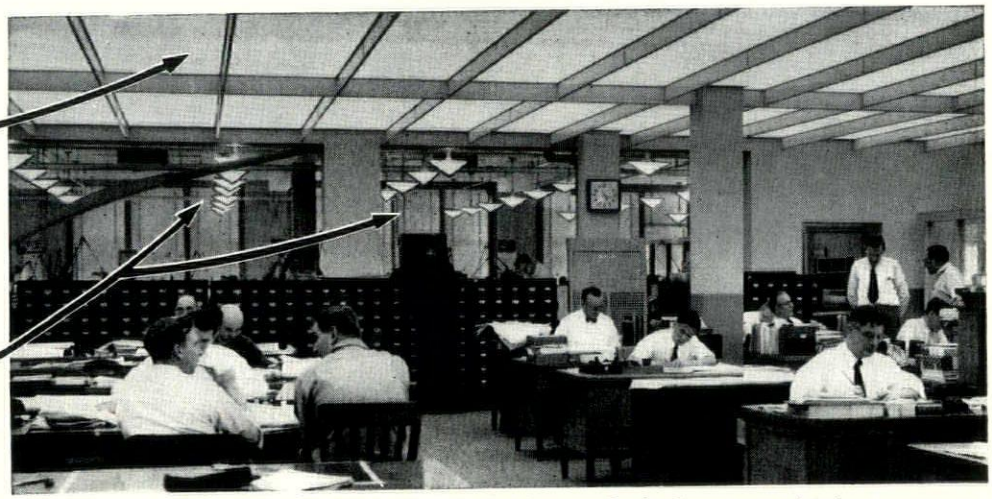

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Eschweiler's committee is currently working on a program for a competition, details of which will be announced in the December issue of THE WISCONSIN ARCHITECT.

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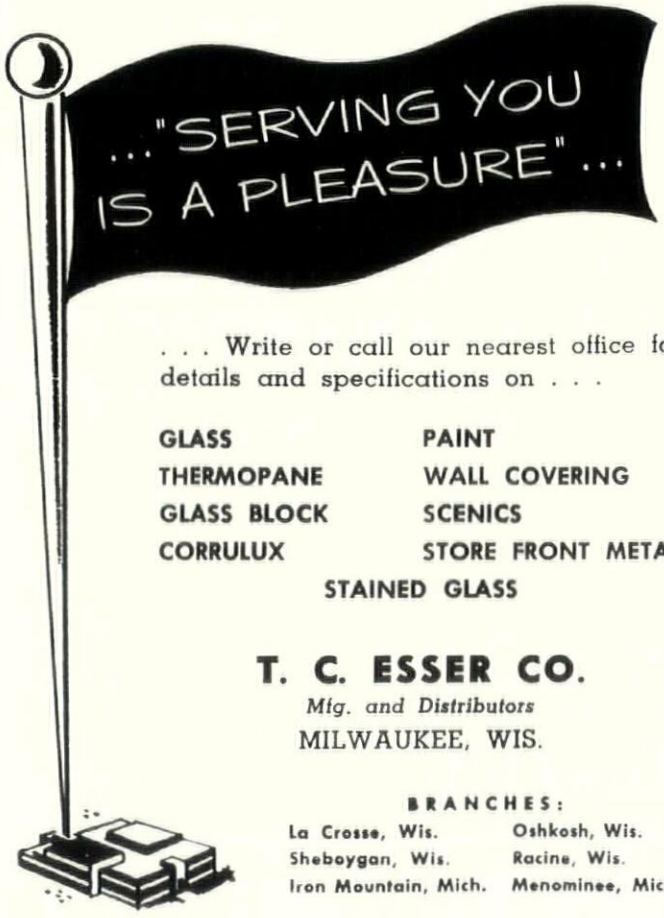

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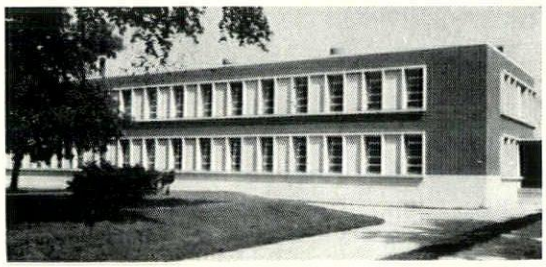

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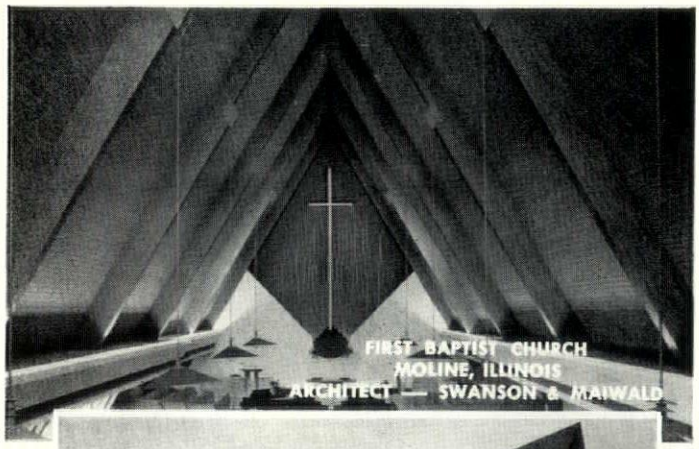

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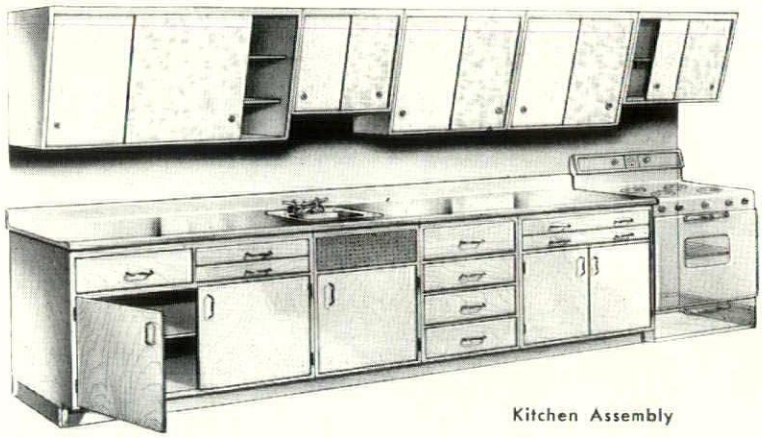

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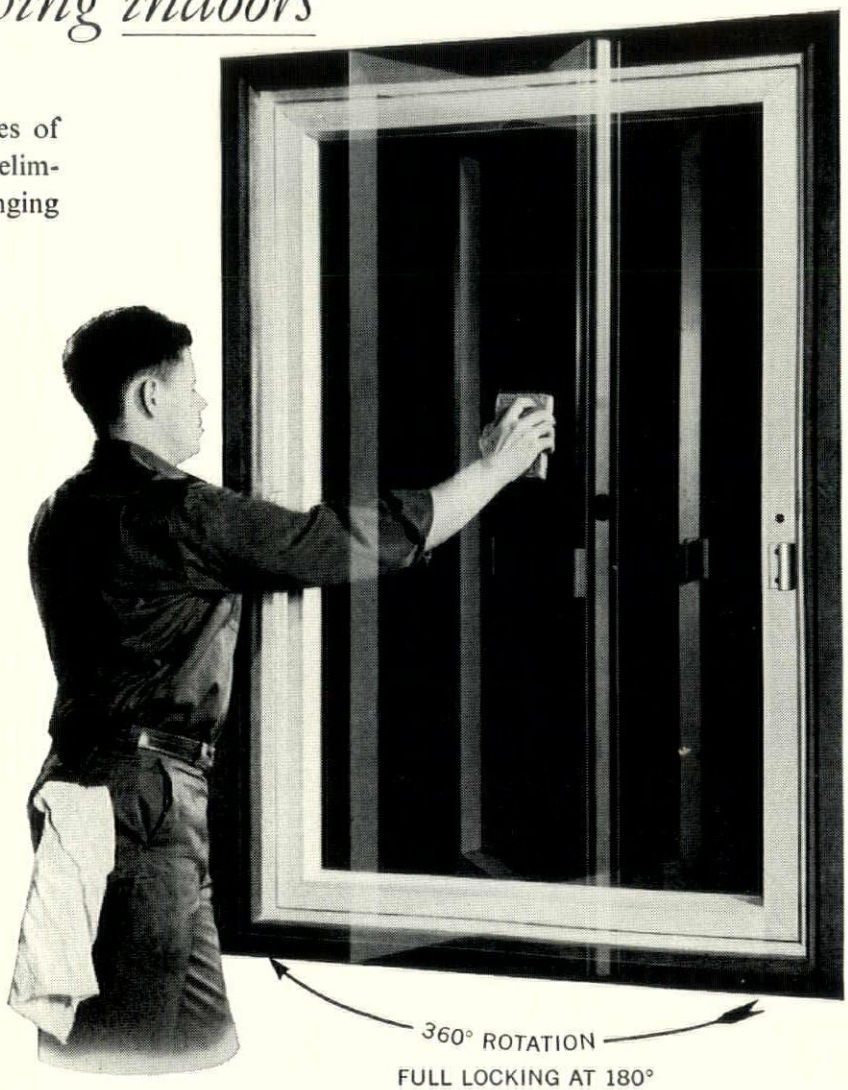

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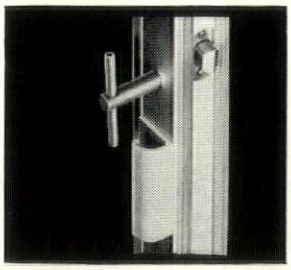

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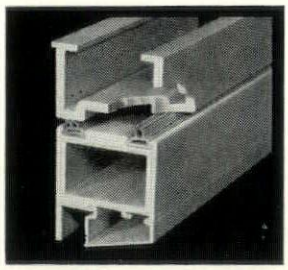

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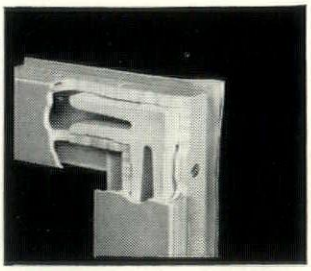

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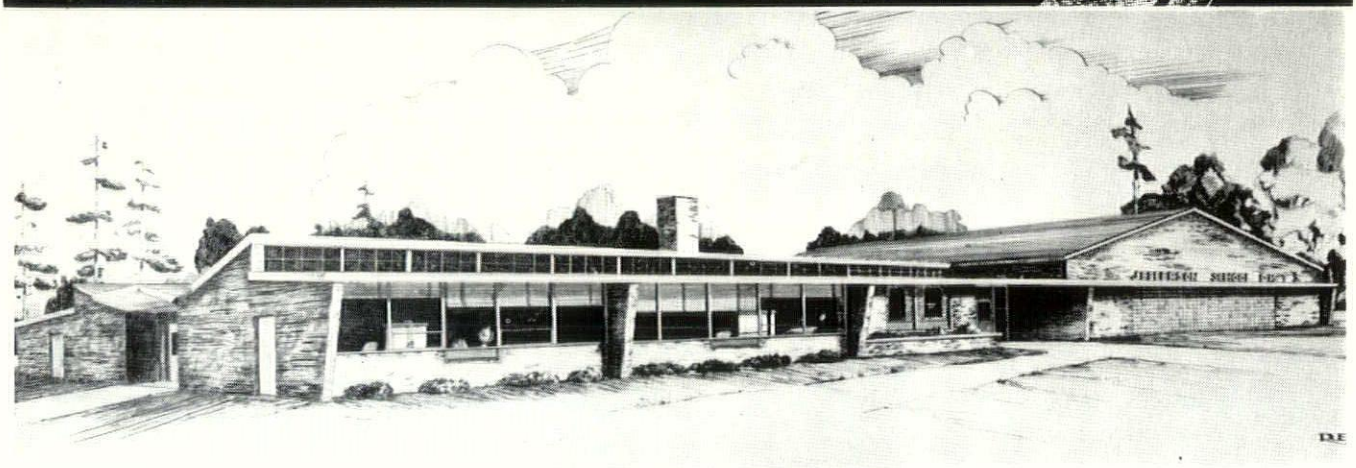

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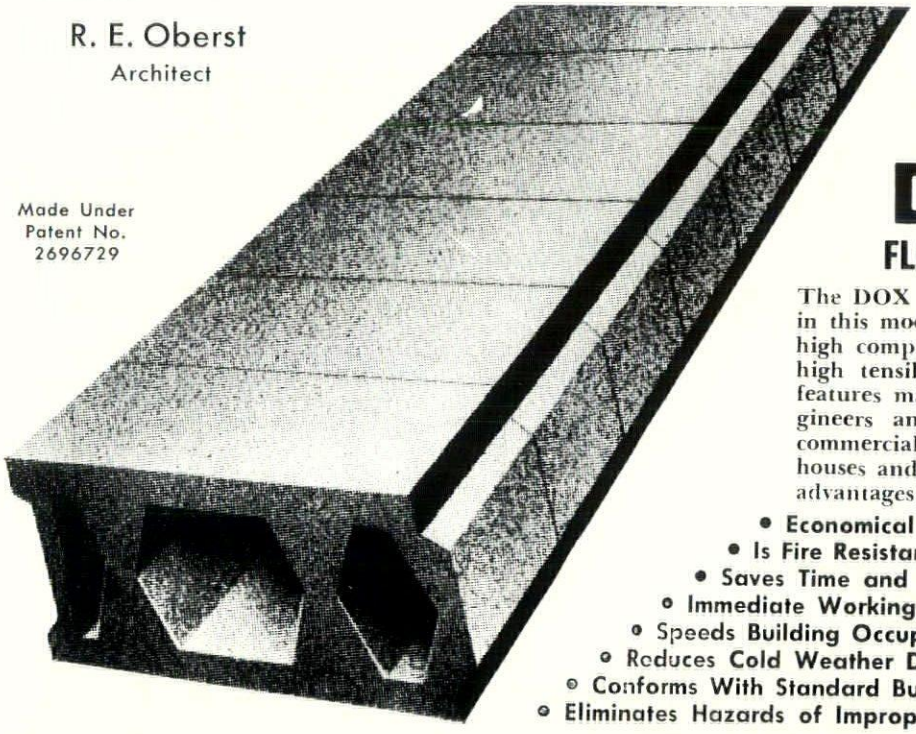

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